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Andrea Schroder

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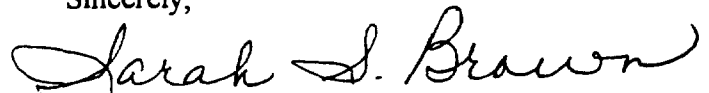
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*this service is really good because its
better then golden west. the bill is low and
affordable.*

Sincerely, *Lester Roubert*

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*Goldwest never provided any services
prior to Western Wireless. Now that Western
Wireless is here, Goldwest is trying to
monopolize this issue. Lakota people need
to share what they want. Competitive service.*

Sincerely,

Andy Spolofovic

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*Being one of the poorest counties in the country. The
biggest advantages of this phone company to the reservation
is the price. The price will make it affordable for everybody.
Something that is very much needed here on the reservation.*

Sincerely,



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*This service is very much needed here on
the reservation, as the reservation is very remote
from other areas - Especially helpful for our
elderly as they have a hard time getting around.*

Sincerely,

Jeff T. Brown
EDO Specialist
5/7/01

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*This venture will reduce costs and make
available phone service we may not
have otherwise.*

Sincerely,

Mary Subig Crow.

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*Golden West take forever sending their Phone Bills.
We need a company that will be on top of things
and will work with the people.*

Sincerely,

Mareno Eder

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Box 882

Pine Ridge, S.D.

57770

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people without phones*

Sincerely,
Dale Kills Enemy at Night

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*Such a service is needed to
provide the residents a more reasonable
means of communication.*
Clayton J. Jones
Sincerely,

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*yes, I feel we need a choice in our decisions
pertaining to our telephone services.*

Sincerely,

Amy L. McBride

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The ~~Wire~~ Wireless Corporation provides
a wider range (area) to call at a low
price that's affordable.

Sincerely,

Emerald Newt H. J.

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*I think it would be good, because its inexpensive,
& good for long distance.*

Sincerely,

Quinn J. Egan

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*Golden West has established a monopoly on
the reservation and the Oglala Sioux Tribe
is very interested in creating a tribally-owned
entity to service our people in the future.*

Sincerely,

Frank Meany

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1. The Service is affordable.
2. The rates are low.
- 3 convenient

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Tessa Phoebe In Sigho

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The Pine Ridge Tribe needs its own phone company

Sincerely,

Emmett Whalen Jr.

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*I feel that the people of the Lakota Nation
should have the right to choose ~~the~~ telephone service
or any other service. The right to choose is an American
thing I am told, so give us the right to choose.*

Sincerely,

Patrick T. Clifford

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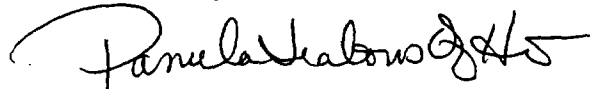
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*See It is less expense for hook up
and the service is good.*

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My daughter and son travel around to
different districts and to Rapid City for
colleges and in the winter when the weather
is bad I worry about them out on the roads.
I think by having these towers would help with
this problem.

Sincerely,

Denise Pinner

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*It's cheaper and helps out
cell phones plus it's Tribal*

Sincerely,

Don Gammie

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incase things happen along the road
we need some help.

Sincerely,

Dawn Poirier

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